

and depriving those children of the forest of their temporal and spiritual inheritance.

The Indians, particularly the Pueblos, are peculiarly susceptible to religious influence, and though conservative to a degree on other points, they yield with wonderful docility to the Christ-like teaching of our Catholic missionaries; and subsequent events have proved that their faith was built on a firm foundation against which the winds and the waves beat in vain.

Just two years ago an Indian living in Taos was constrained to send his children to the Government school in Santa Fe. However his conscience gave him no rest, and after a few weeks he started southward to visit them. The children looked well and told with delight of all the new things they had learned. The old man listened patiently; at last he said: "That is all very good, but what about your prayers? When do you say them, and have you learned any new ones?" "Oh, no," replied the children, "they do not speak of God at all. We do not learn prayers here." With the characteristic grunt of the Indian, the old man said: "No God! no prayers! then no children! Go, get your wraps and come with me to the Sisters."

Having once come under the influence of the Sisters, the Indian girls are rarely willing to leave them, and many instances might be cited of their devotion to their teachers. Only a short time ago a poor child in the last stages of consumption managed to get a note to the Sisters begging them to come for her as she could not die away from the convent. The Sisters went immediately, but, seeing death was near, tried to persuade her to remain at home, fearing she might die on the way. However, her pleading and that of her parents triumphed, and three days after her pure soul winged its flight above, having been strengthened by the Sacraments of Holy Church.

In speaking before the Newman Club in Los Angeles, Mr. Charles Lummis of literary-fame paid a splendid tribute to